(f) what is the total income derived either by the Government or the Ernakulam Municipality by the occupation of the foreshore by the above sheds ;

(g) whether the Government received a communication regarding the existence of these sheds and about the nuisance from any Member of this Council ; and if so, the date of receipt of such communication and the manner in which it has been disposed of;

(h) will the Government be further pleased to place the communication referred to in question No. (g) and their reply on the Table of the House;

(i(what has the Government done since their reply mentioned in question No. (h) in the matter ;

(j) will the Government be pleased to state the number of occasions since they wrote their reply that the Diwan has passed by the sheds during evening drives and whether the existence of the sheds since the reply of the Diwan was noted by him personally;

(k) if the existence was noted, what action was taken ;

(l) whether the Secretary to the Diwan has noted the existence of the sheds during his walks on the foreshore since writing the reply in question No. (h) *supra*, and if no action has been taken, will the Government be further pleased to state why not?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) About 3 cents.

(c) It is not held under any tenure. It was allowed by the Council as a temporary arrangement.

(d) The policy of Government was to keep the foreshore free from such sheds, and it is being adhered to even now as far as possible. In the case of the present shed action is being taken to get it removed from the place.

(e) Does not arise in view of answer to (d).

(f) The Municipality was deriving an income of Rs. 36 per annum.

(g) In the absence of any date it is not possible to say whether such a communication was received or not.

(h to l). These questions do not arise in view of answer to (g).

President.—All this has been removed now.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—But I do not know how sub-divisions (h) to (l) do not arise in view of answer to (g).

Maintenance of certain roads.

384. **Mr. C. Barton Wright.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the amounts actually spent during the last 5 years for the maintenance of the following roads:—

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a. the Nelliampathy Ghat road ;
b. the Vaniampara road, and
c. the road from Pudukkad to the Mooply Valley ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Vide statement appended (*Appendix I*).

Road from Chalakkudi Railway Station to the Pulaya Colony.

385. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government kindly state:—

(a) whether a petition has been received from the inhabitants of Perambra and western Chalakkudi in Kanni 1103, requesting that a road may be constructed from the Chalakkudi Railway Station to the Hill where the Pulaya Colony is located; (ii) whether the Government are aware that an existing line of communication was shut up with the coming into existence of the Colony ;

(b) whether the Government have taken any action in this matter ; and if so, what action ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) (i) Yes.

(ii) No line of communication worth the name has been obstructed. But people at large were walking that way before the Colony came into existence. But this is not possible now.

(b) The petition was forwarded to the Chief Engineer for enquiry and report. The cheapest useful route was reported to cost Rs. 16,000. The cost being prohibitive, it was ordered that there was no immediate prospect of the road being opened.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Can you give them at least some line of communication if not a road costing Rs. 16,000 ? Originally there was some means of communication though not a road which is now prevented by the Colony. Some line of communication may be opened for the people who walk up and down.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I think there is a position somewhere to the northern portion of the Chalakkudi Pulaya Colony and I shall investigate that part.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—This road is the one going from the Railway Station to the Pulaya Colony. Is the other road investigated ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I am investigating it.

Trippunittura Fort Road.

386. Mr. M. K. Raman.—Will the Government be pleased to say whether the roads inside the Fort, Trippunittura, were not constructed by the Government, whether they are not maintained also by the Government ; have the Government prohibited any class of His Highness' subjects the right of using

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APPENDIX I

(*Vide answer to question No. 384.*)

Statement of the expenditure incurred on roads mentioned in question No. 384 of Mr. C. BartonWright (Planters).

	Name of road	1099 Rs	1099 As	1099 P.	1100 Rs.	1100 As.	1100 P.	1101 Rs.	1101 As.	1101 P.	1102 Rs.	1102 As.	1102 P.	1103 Rs.	1103 As.	1103 P.
(a)	Nelliampathy Ghat road ..	2091	15	3	2700	5	5	2145	4	11	5831	3	4	2069	12	2
(b)	Vaniampara road ..	8323	15	11	22208	11	9	15590	8	7	27989	14	0	12101	3	1
(c)	*Pudukkad to Meoply Valley.*															
1	Pudukkad feeder road ..	76	2	3	156	1	0	206	0	6	174	11	4	179	13	4
2	Amballur-Palappilli road ..	1215	11	10	2741	7	8	2897	15	8	3015	12	5	5970	8	10
3	Edathungal padom road ..	538	0	8	148	14	3		..			..		500	0	0
4	Road beyond 8/2 of Amballur-Palappilli road ..		...		257	9	1	316	1	1	380	0	0	310	2	0

The above statement includes maintenance, special renewals and other works such as widening, etc., done on these roads.